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I. Opening of the session

(Agenda item 1)

1. The seventh part of the second session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action (ADP) was held at the United Nations Climate Change Conference, Lima, Peru, from 2 to 13 December 2014.[1]

2. The Co-Chairs of the ADP, Mr. Kishan Kumarsingh (non-Annex I) and Mr. Artur Runge-Metzger (Annex I), resumed the second session and opened the 13th plenary meeting on 2 December. They welcomed all Parties and observers. They also welcomed Ms. Anna Serzysko (Annex I) as Rapporteur of the ADP.[2]

3. The Co-Chairs stressed the need for the ADP to provide to the Conference of the Parties (COP) a clear and solid foundation for the new global climate change agreement to be adopted at COP 21, which would signal to the world the determination of Parties to deliver a successful outcome at that session of the COP, to be held in Paris, France. The Co-Chairs reminded delegates of the need to identify the information that will be provided in relation to the intended nationally determined contributions (INDCs) in accordance with decision 1/CP.19 and called for the strengthening and acceleration of climate action prior to 2020 through a decision that was to be considered and adopted at COP 20.

4. Statements were made by representatives of 13 Parties, including on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, the European Union and its 28 member States, the Umbrella Group, the Environmental Integrity Group, the African Group, the Alliance of Small Island States, the least developed countries (LDCs), the Independent Association for Latin America and the Caribbean (AILAC), the Central American Integration System, the League of Arab States, the BASIC countries (Brazil, China, India and South Africa), the Like-minded Developing Countries and the Coalition for Rainforest Nations. In addition, statements were made on behalf of environmental non-governmental organizations (NGOs), farmers NGOs, indigenous peoples organizations, local government and municipal authorities, trade union NGOs, women and gender NGOs, youth NGOs and business and industry NGOs.

II. Organizational matters

(Agenda item 2)

A. Election of officers

(Agenda item 2(a))

5. The ADP considered this sub-item at its 14th meeting, on 13 December. The Co-Chairs reported that the consultations on the election of the Bureau of the ADP had been successfully concluded.

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[1] The report on the first and second parts of the second session of the ADP is contained in document FCCC/ADP/2013/2; the reports on the third, fourth, fifth and sixth parts of the second session are contained in documents FCCC/ADP/2013/3, FCCC/ADP/2014/1, FCCC/ADP/2014/2 and FCCC/ADP/2014/3, respectively.

[2] The Bureau of the ADP was elected in accordance with the arrangement set out in document FCCC/ADP/2012/2, paragraph 7, which was endorsed by decision 2/CP.18. The ADP elected the current members of its Bureau at the second and third parts of its second session, as reflected in documents FCCC/ADP/2013/2, paragraph 6, and FCCC/ADP/2013/3, paragraph 5, respectively.

6. On a proposal of the Co-Chairs, the ADP elected by acclamation Mr. Ahmed Djoghlaf (non-Annex I) and Mr. Daniel Reifsnyder (Annex I) as its Co-Chairs and Ms. Yang Liu (non-Annex I) as its Rapporteur.

B. Adoption of the agenda
(Agenda item 2(b))

7. The agenda for the second session of the ADP was adopted by the ADP at the 1st meeting of the session, on 29 April 2013.[3]

C. Organization of the work of the session
(Agenda item 2(c))

8. At the 13th meeting, on 2 December, the Co-Chairs drew the attention of the delegates to the scenario note prepared for the seventh part of the session,[4] and outlined the arrangements made in the light of the organization of work previously agreed by the ADP, the mandates of the ADP, including those given at COP 19,[5] and pre-sessional consultations. The organization of the work on agenda item 3 included a contact group established at the fourth part of the session.[6]

9. At the same meeting, the Co-Chairs stressed the importance of optimizing the use of the limited time available and informed the ADP of the greater efforts on time management undertaken by the Chairs of the subsidiary bodies in consultation with the Bureau of the COP and the negotiating groups to strengthen inclusivity, discipline, respect and fairness.

10. In addition, the Co-Chairs informed Parties of their intention to hold a special event with observers during the session. This event took place on 5 December.

III. Implementation of all the elements of decision 1/CP.17
(Agenda item 3)

1. Proceedings

11. The ADP considered this item at its 13th meeting, as well as at its 14th meeting, on 13 December. It had before it documents FCCC/ADP/2014/3, FCCC/ADP/2014/L.4, FCCC/ADP/2014/L.5, FCCC/ADP/2014/CRP.4 and FCCC/2014/TP/13 and Add.1–4, as well as the informal notes prepared for the seventh part of the session.[7]

12. At the 13th meeting, the Co-Chairs recalled the establishment of the contact group on item 3, referred to in paragraph 8 above, and its mandate to work in accordance with the agreed agenda and established UNFCCC practice. They also recalled the core principles guiding the work of the ADP, namely that the process will continue to be Party-driven and build on inputs from Parties, and that any outputs of the process will reflect inputs from Parties.

13. At the same meeting, the Co-Chairs drew the attention of delegates to the informal documents prepared by the Co-Chairs and aimed at supporting delegates by providing focus

[3] FCCC/ADP/2013/2, paragraphs 8 and 9.
[4] ADP.2014.10.InformalNote.
[5] Decision 1/CP.19.
[6] FCCC/ADP/2014/1, paragraph 19.
[7] The informal notes are listed in annex II.

to the negotiations and capturing the progress made by the ADP as well as the submissions received, namely:

(a) A non-paper on elements for a draft negotiating text updating the earlier non-paper;[8]

(b) A draft decision text on advancing the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action.[9]

14. The Co-Chairs underlined the need to continue the consideration and further elaboration of the elements for a draft negotiating text with a view to making a negotiating text available before May 2015, in line with the mandates contained in decisions 2/CP.18 and 1/CP.19. The Co-Chairs also stressed the need for the ADP to consider how to take forward its work on the elements, and how to forward the results of this work to 2015.

15. In addition, the Co-Chairs informed the ADP of the calls from Parties for textual negotiations. In this context, the Co-Chairs encouraged delegates to make specific suggestions that seek to build bridges and clarify options so as to allow the contact group to collectively advance its work towards a draft negotiating text. In the light of the limited time available to the ADP to advance this work, the Co-Chairs proposed that focused negotiations in the contact group on the elements for a draft negotiating text be undertaken in parallel and facilitated by either one of the Co-Chairs.

16. At the same meeting, the Co-Chairs recalled the work undertaken by the ADP on draft decision texts on the identification of the information that Parties will provide when putting forward their INDCs and on accelerating the implementation of enhanced pre-2020 climate action. The Co-Chairs proposed that the contact group continue its work on these issues through textual negotiations with a view to agreeing on a draft decision to be recommended for consideration and adoption at COP 20.

17. The Co-Chairs further drew the attention of delegates to the updated technical paper titled "Updated compilation of information on the mitigation benefits of actions, initiatives and options to enhance mitigation ambition",[10] prepared by the secretariat as requested by the ADP at the third part of its second session.[11] The Co-Chairs encouraged delegates to read the updated technical paper and to bring it to the attention of the relevant implementation officials in their respective governments.

18. In the context of pre-2020 action, the Co-Chairs also informed the ADP of their request to the secretariat to cluster and enhance the visibility of side events and exhibits in Lima that were directly relevant to the thematic areas explored by the technical expert meetings in 2014, and that further information on these events and exhibits was available on the UNFCCC website.[12]

19. At the same meeting, the Co-Chairs drew the attention of delegates to the high-level ministerial dialogue on climate finance and the high-level ministerial dialogue on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action, which were to be held on 9 and 10 December, respectively. They expressed their appreciation to Mr. Manuel Pulgar-Vidal, President of COP 20 and the tenth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP), and his team for the great efforts made to facilitate the ADP process.

[8] ADP.2014.11.NonPaper.
[9] ADP.2014.12.DraftText.
[10] FCCC/TP/2014/13 and Add.1–4.
[11] FCCC/ADP/2013/3, paragraph 30(c)(ii).
[12] <http://unfccc.int/bodies/awg/items/8682.php>.

20. The Co-Chairs encouraged delegates to attend the numerous briefings, forums and events on areas of relevance to the work of the ADP being held in Lima and informed delegates that a list of these events was available on the UNFCCC website.[13]

21. At the same meeting, the ADP agreed to the proposals by the Co-Chairs on the organization of work by the ADP on item 3.

22. The ADP met on 6 December to take stock of progress made and to consider the possible way forward. Further to this informal meeting and in response to an invitation by the President of COP 20/CMP 10, on 8 December the Co-Chairs issued a revised version of the draft decision text referred to in paragraph 16 above and of the draft text containing the elements for a draft negotiating text. At the request of Parties, a compilation of textual inputs received from Parties[14] was made available on the UNFCCC website.[15]

23. Following the stocktaking meeting and the issuance of the draft texts referred to in paragraph 22 above, the ADP further focused its work, including through line-by-line negotiations on the draft decision text on agenda item 3. The progress of this work was captured in:

(a) A revised version of the draft text containing the elements for a draft negotiating text, issued on 10 December;

(b) Revised versions of the draft decision text on agenda item 3 reflecting the status of the negotiations, made available on the UNFCCC website on 9, 10 and 11 December.[16]

24. Progress was also reflected in the oral reports by the ADP Co-Chairs to the informal stocktaking plenaries convened by the President of COP 20/CMP 10 on 10, 11 and 12 December.

25. In addition to the consultations with Parties undertaken by the President of COP 20/CMP 10 and the ongoing ADP negotiations, on 12 December the President launched ministerial consultations on ADP issues facilitated on his behalf by ministers Vivian Balakrishnan (Singapore) and Tine Sundtoft (Norway) with a view to facilitating a successful outcome of the ADP process.

26. On 13 December, the Co-Chairs convened an informal ADP meeting to introduce a further revised draft decision on agenda item 3 with an annex containing the elements for a draft negotiating text referred to in paragraph 23(a) above.[17]

27. On the same day, the Co-Chairs opened the 14th plenary meeting and invited the ADP to consider the draft decision referred to in paragraph 26 above.

28. At the beginning of the meeting, the President of COP 20/CMP 10 recalled the expectations for a successful outcome of the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Lima, which would provide a solid foundation for reaching an agreement in Paris. The President called for flexibility and encouraged Parties to work together to achieve the successful outcome needed.

29. Statements were made by representatives of 41 Parties, including on behalf of the Environmental Integrity Group, the African Group, the European Union and its 28 member States, the LDCs, AILAC, the Like-minded Developing Countries, the League of Arab States and the BASIC countries.

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[13] <http://unfccc.int/files/bodies/awg/application/pdf/lima_conference_adp_relevant_events.pdf>.
[14] <http://unfccc.int/bodies/awg/items/8757.php>.
[15] <http://unfccc.int/files/bodies/awg/application/pdf/compilation_of_inputs.pdf>.
[16] <http://unfccc.int/bodies/awg/items/8743.php>.
[17] FCCC/ADP/2014/L.5.

2. Conclusions

30. The Co-Chairs, in the light of the discussion held at the 14th meeting of the ADP, informed the ADP that, confident that further consultations among Parties would result in an agreement, they would transmit under their own authority the text contained in document FCCC/ADP/2014/L.5 to the President of the COP in order for him to lead consultations for Parties to agree on a text for consideration and adoption at COP 20.[18]

IV. Other matters

(Agenda item 4)

31. The ADP considered this item at its 13th meeting. No other matters were raised.

V. Report on the seventh part of the second session

(Agenda item 5)

32. At its 14th meeting, the ADP considered and adopted the draft report on the seventh part of its second session.[19] At the same meeting, on a proposal by the Co-Chairs, the ADP authorized the Rapporteur to complete the report on the seventh part of the session, with the assistance of the secretariat and under the guidance of the Co-Chairs.

VI. Suspension of the session

33. At its 14th meeting, the ADP agreed on a proposal by the Co-Chairs to suspend the second session and resume it on 8 February 2015 in Geneva, Switzerland.

34. At the same meeting, the Co-Chairs of the ADP expressed their appreciation to Parties for their work and support and declared the second session of the ADP suspended.

[18] On 13 December, on a recommendation by the President, the COP adopted decision 1/CP.20.
[19] FCCC/ADP/2014/L.4.

Annex I

Documents before the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action at the seventh part of its second session

Documents prepared for the seventh part of the session

FCCC/ADP/2014/L.4	Draft report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action on the seventh part of its second session, held in Lima from 2 to 11 December 2014
FCCC/ADP/2014/L.5	Implementation of all the elements of decision 1/CP.17. Draft conclusions proposed by the Co-Chairs
FCCC/ADP/2014/CRP.4	Submission from the African Group
FCCC/TP/2014/13 and Add.1–4	Updated compilation of information on the mitigation benefits of actions, initiatives and options to enhance mitigation ambition. Technical paper

Other documents before the session

FCCC/CP/2013/10 and Add.1	Report of the Conference of the Parties on its nineteenth session, held in Warsaw from 11 to 23 November 2013
FCCC/CP/2012/8 and Add.1	Report of the Conference of the Parties on its eighteenth session, held in Doha from 26 November to 8 December 2012
FCCC/CP/2011/9 and Add.1 and 2	Report of the Conference of the Parties on its seventeenth session, held in Durban from 28 November to 11 December 2011
FCCC/ADP/2014/3	Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action on the sixth part of its second session, held in Bonn from 20 to 25 October 2014
FCCC/ADP/2014/2	Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action on the fifth part of its second session, held in Bonn from 4 to 14 June 2014
FCCC/ADP/2014/1	Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action on the fourth part of its second session, held in Bonn from 10 to 14 March 2014
FCCC/ADP/2013/3	Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action on the third part of its second session, held in Warsaw from 12

	to 23 November 2013
FCCC/ADP/2013/2	Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action on the first and second parts of its second session, held in Bonn from 29 April to 3 May 2013 and from 4 to 13 June 2013

Annex II

Informal notes prepared for the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action at the seventh part of its second session

ADP.2014.10.InformalNote	Scenario note on the seventh part of the second session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action, including reflections on progress made at the sixth part of the second session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action. Note by the Co-Chairs
ADP.2014.11.NonPaper	Non-paper on elements for a draft negotiating text
ADP.2014.12.DraftText	Advancing the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action